

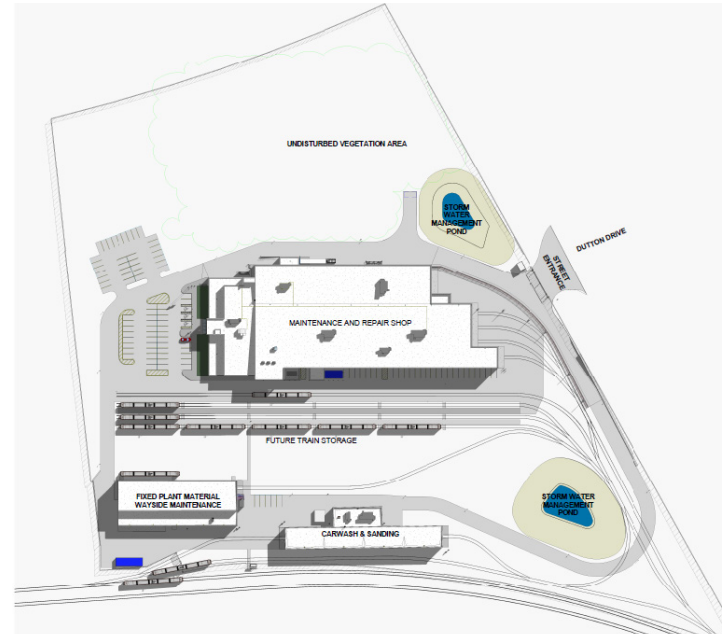
Construction Notice

Construction is starting at the ION Operations, Maintenance, and Storage Facility at 518 Dutton in Waterloo

Construction of Stage 1 ION, the Region of Waterloo’s light rail transit (LRT) service, has started and will continue in select areas across Kitchener and Waterloo until the new service is up and running in 2017.

Work to build the new **ION Operations, Maintenance, and Storage Facility** will begin in August. This facility will be home to the light rail transit vehicles. It is where they will be maintained, cleaned and parked overnight. Work crews will begin by clearing vegetation and excavating and grading the site to lay the foundation for the new facilities. **This construction will be carried out between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, and will take approximately six months.** Local access to businesses will be maintained throughout the duration of this work. Timing of construction is subject to weather conditions and construction constraints.

We believe in conducting business with an eye for the future. All work will be carried out in an environmentally responsible manner and will comply with all relevant by-laws and regulations.



Aerial rendering of the ION Operations, Maintenance and Storage Facility.



Rendering of the ION Operations, Maintenance and Storage Facility (view from Dutton) to be completed by 2017.

What to expect over the next six months:

- Removal of trees and brush from select areas. During peak bird nesting periods, wildlife surveys will be completed before removal begins so as not to disturb active nests in the area (as required by the Federal Migratory Birds Convention Act and the Ontario Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997). Replacement trees will be planted to compensate two to one (2:1) for those removed.
- Some noise, such as reversing alarms, and dust from on-site construction machinery. Noise levels will be monitored to ensure work performed is within the necessary compliance levels required by the *City of Waterloo (By-law 2010-73)*.
- Some vibration. Note: vibration levels will be monitored to ensure work is performed within the necessary compliance levels required by The Regional Municipality of Waterloo Construction Activity Vibration Specification.
- Installation of temporary safety barriers, fences, and a site office.
- Hauling and excavation of on-site materials to lay the site foundation of the facility. The excavation of the existing piles of soil will be required to allow for the foundation work to begin. The foundation work and placement of the building will be performed with a tower crane.

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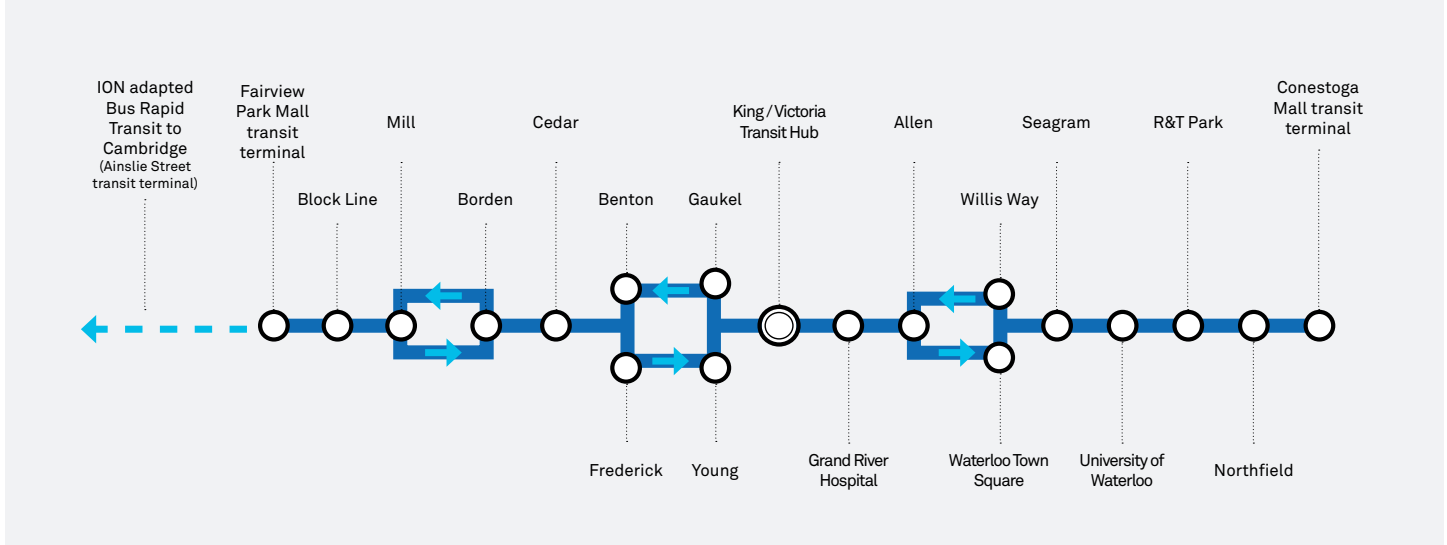
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Working with the Community

Building a light rail transit (LRT) service to support planned growth in the region is an enormous undertaking and we recognize that this work may cause some temporary inconveniences. We will strive to keep any disruption to a minimum.

If you have a question or wish to speak with us about construction, please contact us. A GrandLinq Contractors representative will respond within one business day and will work with you to address any question or concern.

We appreciate your patience as we work to bring ION to Waterloo Region.

What is ION?

Set to begin service in 2017, ION is a visionary plan that will help shape the community for the future by bringing LRT to Waterloo Region in two stages. Stage 1 includes a 19-kilometre route from the Conestoga Mall transit terminal in Waterloo to the Fairview Park Mall transit terminal in Kitchener. Stage 1 also features 17 kilometres of adapted bus rapid transit (aBRT) from the Ainslie Street transit terminal in Cambridge to the Fairview Park Mall transit terminal in Kitchener. Stage 2 will see the Region convert the aBRT line to LRT, creating a seamless 37-kilometre route of LRT across the three urban centres – Cambridge, Kitchener and Waterloo. The Region is building ION aBRT. Construction of ION aBRT started in July 2014 and the service will begin operating in the spring of 2015.

About GrandLinq

In March 2014, GrandLinq was awarded the contract to design, build, finance, operate and maintain ION LRT in Waterloo Region. GrandLinq is a partnership of Plenary Group, Meridiam Infrastructure, Aecon, Kiewit and Keolis. The design and construction of ION will be carried out by GrandLinq Contractors, a joint venture of Aecon and Kiewit under a subcontract with GrandLinq.

Summer '14 #IONtour Going on vacation? Visiting family? Staying at home?

Take an ION model train with you and snap an ION photo at a cool location this summer and you could win a free ride on the first ION train!

Grab an ION model at Regional Headquarters (150 Frederick Street), or at City Halls in Cambridge, Kitchener and Waterloo.



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